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Personalist and symbolic conception of miracle in A.F. Losev's philosophy

The conception of a miracle as manifestation of the supernatural breaking of the natural laws contradicts the doctrine of the Divine Providence in the aspect of the Divine disposition, but it states the Divine dispensation, i.e. another aspect of this doctrine. This contradiction was analyzed and solved by A.F. Losev in his book "Dialectics of a myth". He criticizes subjectivism and psychologism in explanation of a miracle and justifies the Christian symbolism in understanding of a miracle. He considers that a miracle does not break the laws of nature, since God does not break his creature, this interruption relates to knowledge of the natural laws and does not relate to the very laws. A miracle does not relate to the laws of nature, since it is the social phenomenon, it occurs for the human consciousness. It is an event, when completion of the personal prototype occurs in a person. A miracle is a symbol, a sign, an ideal assignment of a person, it is a being, which a person must be.

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